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2. Approaches

The lighted whistle buoy at about Lat 67° 16' 20" N, Long 40° 45' 00" E was not there. The greatest hazard to navigation existed through the channel just southwest of the missing buoy's position. The current approached two knots with an easterly set which tended to force the ship onto the shoal area indicated on said chart. the two radio beacon stations located on Marjovets Island and C Voronov (RA 2278) were very useful while approaching the channel. The beacons were not found in the International Light List but they were in Browns Light List of the World. the characteristics given for the beacons in Browns Light List were correct.

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4. Harbor

RA Chart 2280 was correct with the exception of some new construction mentioned in 2 of this report.

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5. [redacted]

6. Berth at Povrakul [redacted] dock space became available at Povrakul on the western side of Povrakulski Island at about Lat 64° 39.78' N, Long 40° 31.3' E. The wharf was constructed of wood and could accommodate two merchant vessels. The depth of water alongside was 30 feet at high tide.

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7. Cargo Operations at Povrakul [redacted]
 The loading was done with ship's winches, after bulldozers had dragged the timber to the wharf. The stevedores were all Soviets and no prisoner labor was noted. [redacted] The stevedores worked in two shifts of 12 hours each; there were about 25 men to a shift. Women were utilized to mark the cargo during loading operations. [redacted] the loading operation was conducted very poorly; the stevedores loaded in such a manner as to list the ship excessively. [redacted]

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[redacted] a Soviet supervisor was on the job but did not supervise. He remained on the dock preoccupied with something other than loading the vessel. [redacted] no cranes or power equipment, other than the bulldozers.

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8. Berth at Kuryaryets [redacted]

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[redacted] at Kuryaryets on Solombalskiye Island (BA 2980). The dock facilities and cargo operations were the same as at Povrakul.

9. Utilities Available [redacted]

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[redacted] water at Kuryaryets was provided by water barge from Archangel. The water cost US\$2 a ton and was [redacted] brown river water. The water had to settle for several days [redacted] until the "brown east" disappeared. [redacted] utilities and services cost three times more if paid for through the vessel rather than from an individual.

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10. Saw Mill [redacted] the harbor area was dotted with saw mills.

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[redacted] at Kuryaryets [redacted] a guard prevented [redacted] entering the building. [redacted] about 90% of the mill workers were women.

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11. New Wharf Construction The sketch [see "on file" item] shows the location of a wharf that was under construction.

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[redacted] The construction consisted of two parallel rows of steel pilings about six feet apart; the west end of the wharf had been topped with cement. [redacted] workers were present [redacted]

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[redacted] No estimated time of completion could be determined. [redacted] wharf will accommodate three merchant ships.

12. Harbor Traffic [redacted] patrol boats of a minesweeper type patrolling from the entrance to the White Sea along the shipping routes to Archangel. The patrol boats were flying the Soviet naval flag. Many Soviet passenger ships were noted entering and departing Archangel; the passenger ships were very noticeable due to the excessive noise of the radios aboard. Many of the passengers were in Soviet army uniform. [redacted] several large armed Soviet fishing vessels.

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13. Submarine Operating Area [redacted] Soviet submarines operating in the area of Lat 68° 05' N, Long 40° 45' E [redacted] several small MD's, corvettes and minelayers operating with the subs. [redacted] the submarines were painted a very dark color - almost black. [redacted] 25X1
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14. Krasnaya Kuznitsa Shipyard [redacted] in the shipyard area. only small craft and two submarines alongside for repair. [redacted] 25X1
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15. Archangel [redacted] berth at Murmansk to the "Bafiot" building in Archangel. [redacted] 25X1
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The Bafiot is the Soviet agency where [redacted] cleared the ship's papers for departing harbor. [redacted] 25X1
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the city was dirty and unimpressive. The Bafiot was staffed by persons fluent in English, French and German. The office personnel were mostly women. [redacted] 25X1
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the women were better dressed [redacted] 25X1
"International Seamen's Union" in Archangel for recreation purposes. [redacted] 25X1
ferry service was provided then from Murmansk to Archangel at no cost. The International Seamen's Union was described as completely Communist. Drinks, movies and dancing girls were provided [redacted] 25X1
The liberty hours [redacted] were set by the Soviet officials as 0800 until midnight. [redacted] 25X1

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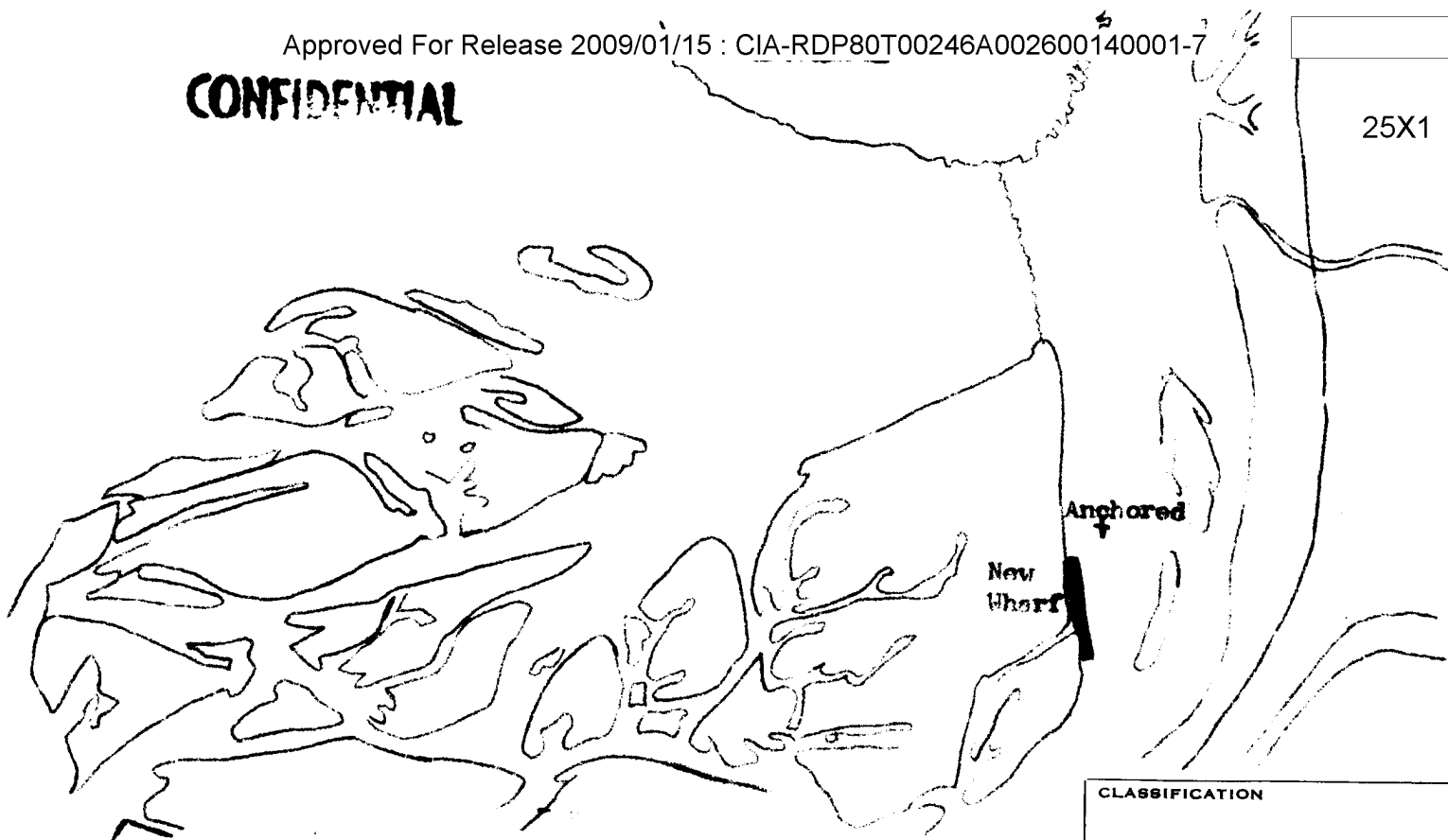
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